## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (currently amended) A method for defining a job ticket (10) for a job in a pre-press workflow system, the method comprising the steps of:

defining an input channel (11-13) for accepting at least one document by said pre-press workflow system and for performing a check of said at least one document; and

defining a job ticket (10) for assembling said job from said at least one document and for processing said job by said prepress workflow system;

characterized in that wherein said job ticket definition comprises said input channel definition.

- 2. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of:
  - defining a second input channel  $\frac{(11-13)}{(11-13)}$ ; wherein said job ticket definition comprises said second input channel definition.
- 3. (currently amended) The method according to any one of the preceding claims claim 2 further comprising the steps of: defining a first setting for said input channel (11-13); defining a second setting for said second input channel (11-13), wherein said second setting is different from said first setting.

4. (currently amended) The method according to any one of the preceding claims claim 2 further comprising the steps of: defining a first processing step (21, 31) for said input channel (11-12); and defining a second processing step (22,32) for said second input channel (13), wherein said second processing step (22, 32) is different from said first processing step (21, 31).

- 5. (currently amended) The method according to any one of the preceding claims claim 1 further comprising the steps of: checking a state of said job; and stopping said input channel (11-13) if said state is a particular predetermined state.
- 6. (currently amended) The method according to claim 2 further comprising:

checking a state of said job; <u>and</u> stopping said input channel if said state is a particular predetermined state.

7. (currently amended) A <u>data processing</u> system for processing data for defining a job ticket for a job in a pre-press workflow system, the data processing system comprising: means for earrying out the steps of the method according to any one of claims 1 to 6.

means for generating an input channel definition by defining an input channel for accepting at least one document by the prepress workflow system and for performing a check of said at least one document; and

means for generating a job ticket definition by defining the job ticket for assembling the job from said at least one document and for processing the job by the pre-press workflow system;

wherein said job ticket definition comprises said input channel definition.

8. (currently amended) The system according to claim 7 further comprising an input device for inputting data to  $\underline{\text{for}}$  said job via said input channel (11-13).

9. (currently amended) A computer program product for defining a job ticket for a job in a pre-press workflow system, the computer program product comprising computer program code means adapted to perform the steps of the method according to any one of claims 1 to 6 when said program is run on a computer.:

first program instructions for defining an input channel for accepting at least one document by said pre-press workflow system and for performing a check of said at least one document; and

second program instructions for defining a job ticket for assembling said job from said at least one document and for processing said job by said pre-press workflow system;

wherein said job ticket definition comprises said input channel definition.

## 10. (canceled)

- 11. (new) The computer program product according to claim 9 further comprising a computer readable medium wherein said first and second program instructions are recorded on said medium.
- 12. (new) The computer program product according to claim 9 further comprising third program instructions for defining a second input channel, wherein said job ticket definition comprises said second input channel definition.
- 13. (new) The computer program product according to claim 12 further comprising:

fourth program instructions for defining a first setting for said input channel; and

fifth program instructions for defining a second setting for said second input channel, wherein said second setting is different from said first setting.

14. (new) The computer program product according to claim 13 further comprising:

sixth program instructions for defining a first processing step for said input channel; and

seventh program instructions for defining a second processing step for said second input channel, wherein said second processing step is different from said first processing step.

15. (new) The computer program product according to claim 14 further comprising:

eighth program instructions for checking a state of said job;

ninth program instructions for stopping said input channel if said state is a particular predetermined state.